Embassy of the United States of America Request for Proposals - President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

Political and Economic Section - Community Grants Program

As part of the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the United States Embassy in Maputo administers a small grants program that supports HIV- and AIDS-related activities for a 12-month period. Programs/activities should focus on the prevention of the transmission of HIV and vocational training and income generation activities for those infected with, or affected by, HIV/AIDS. The U.S. Embassy is currently soliciting innovative and cost effective projects/activities from legally registered community-based, faith-based and non-governmental organizations. Interested parties may submit a project proposal in support of the Mission's overall PEPFAR portfolio accompanied by a one-page summary that includes a brief description of: (1) Name of the project, program area (that is: Prevention, Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC), or Other Sexual Prevention) and its geographical area including implementing sites information; (2) key objectives; (3) target group; (4) primary activities; (5) expected results; (6) amount of funding requested, and (7) name and contact information of project coordinator. Proposals may be submitted in either English or Portuguese.

The proposal must not exceed ten pages and must include the following information: (1) targeted population by age, sex, risk behavior or other relevant parameters; (2) concise description of type, mix and dosage (e.g. number of sessions) of intervention, for each specific target population including the basis for selecting these interventions; (3) explanation on how the interventions target the key drivers in the specific epidemic context; (4) describe the geographic and/or population coverage of the intervention; (5) information regarding current partners and donors as well as related sectors; (6) describe how proposed activities are integrated with/or linked to other PEPFAR activities; (7) detailed budget; (8) information about previous or current technical assistance received by the organization; (9) how gender issues will be addressed within proposed activities; (10) estimated number of persons to be reached by the project; (11) monitoring plan; (12) work plan for implementation of activities; (13) brief description of key personnel; (14) copy of the organization's registration and (15) each page needs to be numbered. Proposals which do not follow the above guidelines will not be considered for funding.

Funding is expected to be allocated as follows:

Prevention - each grant amount will be from \$15,000 to \$25,000 in the provinces of Maputo, Gaza, Inhambane, Manica, Zambezia, Nampula and Niassa	Activities (including training) to promote abstinence, including delay of sexual activity or secondary abstinence, fidelity, reducing multiple and concurrent partners, and related social and community norms that impact these behaviors as well as activities addressing stigma, discrimination and gender issues surrounding HIV/AIDS. Activities should create greater cultural comprehension of the threat posed by HIV/AIDS and Gender Based Violence and should address programming for both adolescents and adults.
Other Sexual Prevention – grant amount from \$15,000 to \$25,000 each in the provinces of Maputo, Inhambane, Sofala, Tete, Manica, Zambezia, Nampula and Niassa	Activities aimed at preventing HIV transmission including promotion of condoms and messages/programs to reduce risks of persons engaged in high-risk behaviors. Prevention activities should be focused on target populations such as alcohol users that can also lead to Gender Based Violence, atrisk youth (particularly girls), mobile populations including migrant workers, truck drivers and members of the military and other uniformed services (e.g. police), and persons who exchange sex for money and/or other goods with multiple or concurrent sex partners, including persons engaged in prostitution and/or transactional sexual partnerships.
Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) – grant amount from \$15,000 to \$25,000 each in the provinces of Maputo, Gaza, Manica and Cabo Delgado	Activities to improve the lives of orphans and vulnerable children between the ages of 0-17 years who are affected by HIV/AIDS. Services should be based on the actual needs of the child, including access to basic education until the secondary school level, broader health care services, food, safe water and nutritional support, safe infant feeding and weaning practices, protection, legal aid and response to Gender Based Violence and economic strengthening.